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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO

FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 30, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows. A petition for extension of time for one month, from August 30, 2006 to September 30, 2006 is included herein.

Amendments to the Specification begin in page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.